

REMARKS

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the objection contained in the Office Action of May 21, 2007 is respectfully requested.


On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that the present application is in condition for allowance, with the exception of a formal matter regarding the abstract. In particular, the Examiner objected to the abstract for not presenting all of the subject matter of independent claim 1 as amended by the response filed on September 18, 2006. In order to address the Examiner's objection, the abstract has been amended to recite the subject matter of independent claim 1. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's objection is not applicable to the amended abstract.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application, including claims 1-47, is clearly in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If, after reviewing this Amendment, the Examiner feels there are any issues remaining which must be resolved before the application can be passed to issue, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone in order to resolve such issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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ABSTRACT

An electromotive power assisted bicycle includes a drive shaft rotated by a pedal effort a primary sprocket fixed to the drive shaft for transmitting the pedal effort to a drive wheel; a secondary sprocket fixed to the drive shaft coaxially with the primary sprocket; a pedal effort detection sensor; an electromotive power output unit box detachably attached to the body for outputting electromotive power in response to the detected pedal effort; a power sprocket coupled to a rotating output shaft of the electromotive power output unit box; an auxiliary chain stretched between the secondary sprocket and the power sprocket; ~~and a battery bracket for accommodating a battery for the electromotive power output unit box. Since the degree of flexibility for installing components has been significantly increased and the overall system has been made light and compact, a bicycle of an ordinary frame can be easily powered by electricity~~ a supporting section for rotatably supporting the drive shaft; and a unit mounting bracket on which the electromotive power output unit box is mounted, the unit mounting bracket being fixed to the supporting section with the drive shaft penetrating through the unit mounting bracket.

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